

Far North Coast Hockey Association News



Hockey 2011- Another big season set to unfold

Welcome back to hockey for the 2011 season. This year Far North Coast Hockey has some great additions to their competition, including a second world class turf completed and ready for action in Ballina, a host of new strategies for growing hockey and a strong group of committed senior players working to build the sport.

In the pre-season Rhonda Mathers and Matt Hobbs did a great job hosting four weeks of junior hockey training and matches at the turf, Goonellabah helping the kids build their skills.

Another exciting prospect for junior players of Far North Coast Hockey is exhibition night games involving junior teams, to be held around senior matches, under lights.

The 2011 season should be another memorable one for everyone involved.

Community Umpire Accreditation

On the 14th May, Hockey NSW will hold a FREE Community Umpire Accreditation program for anyone interested on the Far North Coast. It involves a theory and practical component. For more information please contact Helen Jarvie at h2jarvie@bigpond.com

Coaching Accreditation



Hockey Ed is the national accreditation program for Hockey coaching and umpiring and is available to the Far North Coast Hockey community this year.

The community coach accreditation program gives current coaches, parents and anyone else interested the opportunity to learn techniques and gain resources for coaching hockey. The course is FREE of charge, takes approximately 3 hours and is run by an experienced coach from Hockey NSW. Each participant is also given free membership to Hockey Australias Hockey Ed website that has many more resources for coaches to use.

The proposed date to run the course is either Saturday 14th May, or Monday 23rd May, depending on the suitability for the majority of participants.

For more information or to register your interest please contact Joe at fnchockey1@hotmail.com or on 0413642361.

Hook in2 Hockey

Hook in2 Hockey is a nationally run program, facilitated by Hockey Australia and available to clubs, schools and the community.

The program runs over 4-6 weeks, during school time, after school or on weekends and is targeted at kids aged between 8-12 years with beginner to intermediate hockey skills. The program involves games and skill development with an emphasis on fun and learning.

The cost is a minimum of \$25, which included a pop up goal, shirt and water bottle for each child to keep. For \$35 the pack is expanded to also include a hockey stick, ball and shin guards.

It is a great opportunity for clubs to give beginners crash course in hockey or a school holiday option. For more information and to get your club involved please contact Joe at fnchockey1@hotmail.com or on 0413642361.



Congratulations to Holly Anderson of Ballina Hockey Club who conducted the coin toss for the Hockeyroos v Argentina test match on Friday 8th April at Homebush Olympic park.

The Hockeyroos went on to record the first win of the test series against the currently world number one ranked Argentina.

The 2011 UMPIRE team consists of Brett Crawford, Rhonda Mathers, Adam Grill Matt Hobbs Jane Parrish, Andrew McFadden, Tara Leonard, David Brown, Mel Slade, Craig Brown, Letitia Bolton, Riki Pimm and Helen Jarvie.

Any queries or information can be obtained from the Chair Helen Jarvie
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The first team to play on the new turf pitch in Ballina



Ballina B1 Team

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